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Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work

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   (a) Priority theme: promoting full employment and decent work for all;
   (b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups:
      (i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons;
      (ii) World Programme of Action for Youth;
      (iii) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002;
      (iv) Family issues, policies and programmes;
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4. Provisional agenda for the forty-seventh session of the Commission.
5. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-sixth session.

Annotations

1. Election of officers

Rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council stipulates that, at the commencement of the first meeting of a regular session, the Commission shall elect from among the representatives of its members a Chairperson, one or more Vice-Chairpersons and such other officers as

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may be required. Following the established practice, the Commission shall elect a Chairperson, three Vice-Chairpersons and a Rapporteur or Vice-Chairperson with rapporteurial responsibilities (Vice-Chairperson-cum-Rapporteur).

In accordance with subparagraph (c) of its decision 2002/210 of 13 February 2002, the Economic and Social Council decided that immediately following the closure of a regular session, the Commission for Social Development would hold the first meeting of its subsequent regular session for the sole purpose of electing the new Chairperson and other members of the Bureau. Consequently, the Commission held the first meeting of its forty-sixth session on 17 February 2007, immediately following the closure of the forty-fifth session, and elected by acclamation Alexei Tulbure (Moldova) as Chairperson of the Commission and Jelena Piá-Comella (Andorra), Dan Zhang (China) and Ignacio Llanos (Chile) as Vice-Chairpersons.

The Group of African States subsequently nominated Bertin A. Babadoudou (Benin) and, upon the resignation of Ms. Piá-Comella (Andorra), the Group of Western European and other States nominated Sonja Anna Kreibich (Germany) to represent their respective regional groups on the Bureau as Vice-Chairpersons-elect. At the opening meeting of the forty-sixth session of the Commission, on 6 February 2008, the nominees will be elected as Vice-Chairpersons. At the same meeting, the Commission will designate one of its Vice-Chairpersons as having rapporteurial responsibilities.

2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

Rule 7 of the rules of procedure requires that, after the election of its officers at the beginning of each session, the Commission shall adopt the agenda for that session on the basis of the provisional agenda. The provisional agenda and documentation for the forty-sixth session of the Commission were approved by the Economic and Social Council in its decision 2007/258 of 26 July 2007.

The proposed organization of work of the Commission for Social Development at its forty-sixth session (see annex I) has been prepared pursuant to relevant decisions of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council to facilitate the consideration of agenda items within the time frame available and in accordance with the conference services allocated to the Commission. The timetable should be considered tentative and indicative: if the Commission completes its consideration of an item ahead of schedule, it may wish to proceed immediately to the next item.

The Commission is scheduled to meet from Wednesday, 6 February, to Friday, 15 February 2008. Arrangements have been made to hold morning and afternoon meetings during the session: morning meetings will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and afternoon meetings from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The General Assembly, in its resolution 61/143, invited functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council to discuss, within their respective mandates, the question of violence against women in all its forms and manifestations and to set priorities for addressing this issue in their future efforts and work programmes and to transmit the outcome of those discussions to the Secretary-General for his annual report to the Assembly. Consequently, the Commission is invited to hold a panel discussion on the question of violence against women. A note by the Secretariat will be prepared to facilitate the discussion.

Further review of the methods of work of the Commission

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolutions 2005/11 of 21 July 2005 and 2006/18 of 26 July 2006, the Commission will undertake a review of the functioning of the two-year review and policy cycle in order to ensure that this approach enhances its effectiveness and functioning, and will also identify the theme for the 2009-2010 review and policy cycle. The Commission will have before it a note by the Secretariat on its future organization and methods of work.

Documentation

Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work (E/CN.5/2008/1)

Note by the Secretariat on the future organization and methods of work of the Commission for Social Development (E/CN.5/2008/5)

Note by the Secretariat on intensification of efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women (E/CN.5/2008/__)

Note by the Secretary-General on the preparation of the strategic framework for the period 2010-2011 (E/CN.5/2008/__)

3. Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

(a) Priority theme: promoting full employment and decent work for all

In its resolution 2006/18 of 26 July 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided that the theme for the 2007-2008 review and policy cycle would be "Promoting full employment and decent work for all", taking into account its interrelationship with poverty eradication and social integration. The Commission reviewed the theme at its forty-fifth session in 2007. The Commission will have before it the report of the Secretary-General on the priority theme for the policy part of the 2007-2008 cycle.

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on promoting full employment and decent work for all (E/CN.5/2008/4)

(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups

(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons

(ii) World Programme of Action for Youth

(iii) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002

(iv) Family issues, policies and programmes

The Commission will consider issues pertaining to the situation of social groups. It will have before it a note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development as well as reports of the Secretary-General on the first review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing and its regional implementation.

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General on the regional implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002 (E/CN.5/2008/2)

Report of the Secretary-General on the first review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing: preliminary assessment (E/CN.5/2008/__)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development (E/CN.5/2008/3)

(c) Emerging issues

In its resolution 2006/18 of 26 July 2006, the Economic and Social Council decided to include the item entitled "Emerging issues" in the agenda of the Commission. The members of the Bureau, in consultation with their respective regional groups, agreed that the theme for discussion under this agenda item during the forty-sixth session would be "Mainstreaming disability in the development agenda". A note by the Secretariat will be available to facilitate the discussion.

Documentation

Note by the Secretariat on mainstreaming disability in the development agenda (E/CN.5/2008/6)

4. Provisional agenda for the forty-seventh session of the Commission

In accordance with rule 9 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, the Commission will have before it the draft provisional agenda for its forty-seventh session, together with an indication of the documentation to be submitted for its consideration.

Documentation

Draft provisional agenda for the forty-seventh session of the Commission (E/CN.5/2008/L.__)

5. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-sixth session

In accordance with rule 37 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council, the Commission shall submit to the Council a report on the work of its forty-sixth session.

Documentation

Draft report of the Commission on its forty-sixth session (E/CN.5/2008/L.__)

Annex I

Proposed organization of work (6-15 February 2008)

Date	*Agenda item*	*Documentation/programme*
Week of 4-8 February 2008		
Wednesday, 6 February		
a.m.	1. Election of officers	
	2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters	Provisional annotated agenda and proposed organization of work (E/CN.5/2008/1)
	3. Follow-up to the World Summit for Social Development and the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly:	Introduction of item 3 as a whole
	(a) Priority theme: promoting full employment and decent work for all	Report of the Secretary-General on promoting full employment and decent work for all (E/CN.5/2008/4)
	(b) Review of relevant United Nations plans and programmes of action pertaining to the situation of social groups	Note by the Secretary-General on the regional implementation of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002 (E/CN.5/2008/2)
	(i) World Programme of Action concerning Disabled Persons	Report of the Secretary-General on the first review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing: preliminary assessment (E/CN.5/2008/_)
	(ii) World Programme of Action for Youth	
	(iii) Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing, 2002	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Special Rapporteur on Disability of the Commission for Social Development (E/CN.5/2008/3)
	(iv) Family issues, policies and programmes	
		Presentation of the outcome of the Non-Governmental Organization Forum held on 5 February 2008
		Keynote speaker
p.m.	3 (a) (*continued*)	Panel discussion on item 3 (a)
Thursday, 7 February		
a.m.	3 (a) (*continued*)	General discussion
p.m.	3 (a) (*concluded*)	General discussion

Date	*Agenda item*	*Documentation/programme*
Friday, 8 February		
a.m.	3 (b) (*continued*)	Introduction of the report by Special Rapporteur
		General discussion
p.m.	3 (b) (*continued*)	Panel discussion on "Review and appraisal of the Madrid International Plan of Action on Ageing: regional perspective"
Week of 11-15 February 2008		
Monday, 11 February		
a.m.	3 (b) (*continued*)	General discussion
p.m.	3 (b) (*concluded*)	General discussion
Tuesday, 12 February		
a.m.	3 (c) Emerging issues: "Mainstreaming disability in the development agenda"	General discussion on item 3 (c)
		Panel discussion
		Note by the Secretariat on mainstreaming disability in the development agenda (E/CN.5/2008/6)
p.m.	2. Other organizational matters	General discussion
		Note by the Secretariat on the future organization and methods of work of the Commission for Social Development (E/CN.5/2008/5)
		Note by the Secretary-General on the preparation of the strategic framework for the period 2010-2011 (E/CN.5/2008/_)
		Panel discussion on elimination of all forms of violence against women
		Note by the Secretariat on intensification of efforts to eliminate all forms of violence against women (E/CN.5/2008/_)

Date	*Agenda item*	*Documentation/programme*
Wednesday, 13 February		
a.m.	3 (a) and 3 (b)	Informal consultations
p.m.	3 (a) and 3 (b)	Informal consultations
Thursday, 14 February		
a.m.	3 (a) and 3 (b)	Introduction of draft proposals
		Informal consultations
p.m.	3 (a) and 3 (b)	Informal consultations
Friday, 15 February		
a.m.	4. Provisional agenda for the forty-seventh session of the Commission	Draft provisional agenda for the forty-seventh session of the Commission
		Action on draft proposals
p.m.	6. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its forty-sixth session	Draft report on the forty-sixth session of the Commission
		Closure of the session[a]

[a] In accordance with Economic and Social Council decision 2002/210, the Commission, immediately following the closure of the forty-sixth session, will hold the first meeting of its forty-seventh session for the sole purpose of electing the new Chairman and other members of the Bureau, in accordance with rule 15 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council

Annex II

Membership of the Commission for Social Development at its forty-sixth session (2008)

(46 members; four-year term)

Membership	*Term expires at close of the session in the year:*
1. Andorra	2011
2. Angola	2009
3. Bangladesh	2009
4. Benin	2011
5. Bolivia	2009
6. Cameroon	2011
7. Chile	2008
8. China	2009
9. Côte d'Ivoire	2008
10. Cuba	2011
11. Czech Republic	2009
12. Democratic People's Republic of Korea	2009
13. Democratic Republic of the Congo	2009
14. Egypt	2011
15. Ethiopia	2008
16. Finland	2009
17. France	2008
18. Germany	2008
19. Haiti	2008
20. India	2011
21. Indonesia	2008
22. Italy	2009
23. Jamaica	2011
24. Japan	2008
25. Mali	2008

Membership	*Term expires at close of the session in the year:*
26. Mexico	2011
27. Moldova	2008
28. Monaco	2009
29. Myanmar	2009
30. Namibia	2011
31. Nepal	2011
32. Netherlands	2009
33. Paraguay	2009
34. Peru	2008
35. Republic of Korea	2008
36. Russian Federation	2008
37. South Africa	2009
38. Spain	2011
39. Tunisia	2008
40. Turkey	2011
41. Ukraine	2009
42. United Arab Emirates	2011
43. United Republic of Tanzania	2009
44. United States of America	2008
45. Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	2009
46. *Vacancy: Eastern European States*	2011